

WORLD OF RADIO #1182, produced May 14, 2003 by Glenn Hauser

- *On the WJIE schedule only three times remain for World of Radio, 7490 and perhaps 13595: Sat 0930, Sun 1030, 1630; only the last one confirmed this week, but started at 1625 with old #1179; so WJIE only useful for WOR on a backup or contingency basis
- *Denmark's SW broadcasts may be cancelled at yearend; 5-minute English news relay from domestic service heard at 0630 on 7180, 11615, repeated at 0730 on 9590, 11615, followed by other langauges; all relayed via Norway
- *AFRTS/AFN via Iceland: other coordinated frequencies might also start, 20 kW at 200 degrees: 7590 2100-0800, 0700-1800 15620; 13855 at 0500-1830 altho has really been virtually or completely 24 hours
- *Trish Huizinga, OIC in Iceland sends friendly E-mail replies; site is Grindavik, and includes some local announcements
- *Dutch pirate radio clampdown: AT agency closed down 68 as of May 6, Project Etherflits launched in March, may go on for a year. Pirates furious at enforcement, and severe fines, confiscation. Protests in cyberspace and at a park in The Hague
- *R. Burundi says it is back on SW 6140 in addition to FM
- *Hit soap opera on R. Burundi: see
<http://news.independent.co.uk/world/africa/story.jsp?story=406011>
- *R. Congo, Brazzaville, heard on 5985 until 2301*
- *R. Bahrein has two separate programs on 9745, 6010, sometimes in parallel for news; hear clips at <http://www.intervalsignals.net>
- *US pulling out of Camp Snoopy, Qatar, where Commando Solo was based; flight operations cease in May, camp closes in June
- *But Information Radio already gone from 4500
- *R. Farda service to Iran via UAE added 1170, same frequency as Iraq Media Network, Umm Qasr; quickly resolved by putting IMN on 909 instead, formerly in Baghdad; Farda still on 1539 from UAE plus 1170
- *Lot of contention about redeveloping TV in Iraq, US role, censorship; see DXLDs 3-081, 3-082, 3-083
- *Intermittent strikes in Israel affect broadcasts in English, garbage
- *Another strike in France May 13 causes RFI to play music instead of news
- *VOLMET in Southeast Asia on 6676 includes Bangkok at 10 & 40 minutes past the hour; Singapore 20 & 50; Sydney? at 00 & 30; music played on frequency at 1650
- *SARS outbreak causes cancellation of Broadcast Asia, big Singapore conference and exhibition in June
- *China Radio International says it will cease mailing to listeners until SARS is under control; spreadable by P-mail?
- *R. New Zealand getting budget increase, part of which, \$150K, is for RNZI, to increase Pacific language programming from 4 to 10 hours daily; only one SW transmitter, so that means less English
- *The media magazine you monitor with your mind, World of Radio 1182; P O Box 1684, Enid, OK, 73702, USA, North America. Or woradio at

yahoo.com <http://worldofradio.com> for our latest schedules and much more, especially large archive of DX Listening Digests

*Thanks this week for financial support (via PayPal) go to William Messman

*R. America, Paraguay news: MW outlet R. Villeta moved from 1610 to 1590; SW 7370 has 1 kW with 25 dB gain towards Buenos Aires, with ERP of 316 kW; 15185 24 hours, 200 watts, ERP 1.6 kW

*Two Peruvians reactivated on May 7: R. Nuevo Amanecer, Celendin, 4655.02, after a year; and Pacifico Radio, 4974.98; connected with R. Macedonia, which appeared on 4890 when it disappeared?

*R. Union, Lima, back with beautiful signal and music, on 6115, enjoyable early morning listening, heard in Tennessee and Russia

*Alo Presidente, Venezuela via Cuba at 1400 Sundays heard now on 13680 best in Venezuela; 17750, 11670

*R. Habana Cuba, English at 2030, heard back on 11760; next English scheduled at 2230-2330, instead heard at 2300-2400 on 9550, including DXers Unlimited, Tue 2341

*Hermanos al Rescate, Cuban exile group, sent amateur TV broadcast to Cuba from plane Feb. 24, and plans a repeat on May 20, Cuban independence day; on cable channel 58, not the same as UHF 58, so connect antenna to VCR or TV tuned to C58, i.e. video 427.25 MHz, well below UHF ch 14; callsign on slide was KB4HPV, VOLVEREMOS

*Bahamas rarely DXed on FM in US, tho in single hop sporadic E range; Michael Procop, near Cleveland OH, did hear ZNS on 104.5; another Nassau outlet to check for is Jamz FM on 100.3

*Florida a hotbed of pirate activity, especially on FM, but FCC is cracking down, issuing \$10K fines to two or three, and one has also been sentenced to 9 months in prison: Rayon Sherwin Payne of Orlando, but someone with same name is on a list of convicted felons. Ran 95.9 and 93.9 pirates in Orlando area; first pirate operator named after a synthetic fabric

*Two X-band stations on 1680: WTIR in Florida, tourist info, changed to Spanish as Alma Latina; KTFH in Seattle on air with nonstop Indian music, ``The Bridge,`` ``Radio Ahwaz?``, noon to midnight local

*Very important vote coming up June 2 at FCC; see DXLD 3-080. Republican majority expected to relax rules preventing media monopoly in any market. See <http://www.moveon.org/stopthefcc> and see American Prospect Story:

<http://www.prospect.org/print/V14/5/starr-p.html>

*Flood of 13,000 applications to FCC for new FM translators; but not all can be granted; to counter possibility of more LPFM? See DXLD 3-081

*Enid missed all the tornado activity in OK during the past week; see DXLD 3-081, 3-082, 3-083; at a distance monitor KOMA-1520 with day facilities at night, audible in the east with Buffalo nulled

*Burton Paulu died in March at 92; was pioneer in educational radio at KUOM; wrote books on broadcasting in Britain and Eastern Europe, taught at University of Minnesota; obit:

<http://www.startribune.com/stories/462/3755013.html>

*Richard Kotey, originally from Ghana, ``King Kotey, the Gallant Ghanaian`` at VOA, has died; many tributes to him at
<http://www.voanews.com/EnglishtoAfrica/article.cfm?objectID=5C3C6962-1B75-4CEC-89551A8755EF2DE6>

*R. Africa International, Methodist station in New York, via DTK Germany, changed English to 1700-1900 on 13820, 11735 ex-15265

*NPR selling Grundig multiband receivers including SW, YB-400 at
<http://shop.npr.org/catalog/Category.jhtml;jsessionid=Y0JDV0T0BDI1BLA5AI0SFEQ?CATID=6>

*Propagation outlook from Boulder, May 13; flux range 100-155-90
*Glenn Hauser, concluding World of Radio 1182 ####